

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

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Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A propylene polymer of which the heat of fusion ΔH (J/g) and the melting point T_m ($^{\circ}$ C) measured through differential scanning calorimetry satisfy the following relationship: $\Delta H \geq 0.45 \times T_m + 22$ which satisfies the following requirements (1) to (4):

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(1) $\Delta H \geq 0.45 T_m + 22$, wherein ΔH is a heat of fusion (J/g) and T_m is a melting point ($^{\circ}$ C) measured through differential scanning calorimetry;
(2) $110 \leq T_m \leq 140$, wherein T_m is the melting point;
(3) $T_h \leq 5$, wherein T_h is a half-value width ($^{\circ}$ C) of the peak top of its elution curve, the elution curve being obtained in programmed temperature fractionation where a sample solution in o-dichlorobenzene is fractionated by raising the temperature from 0° C to 135° C at a heating rate of 40° C/hr; and

(4) an intrinsic viscosity $[\eta]$ of 0.5 to dl/g when measured in a solvent of tetralin at 135° C.

Claims 2-11 (Cancelled).

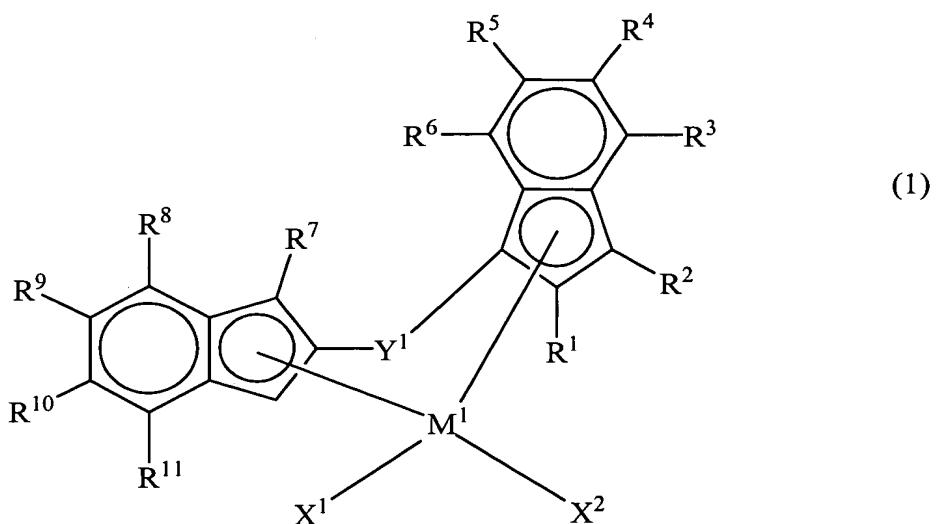
Claim 12 (Previously Presented): The propylene polymer as claimed in claim 1, which is a propylene homopolymer having an isotactic pentad fraction (mmmm) of from 65 to 85 mol%.

Claim 13 (Previously Presented): The propylene polymer as claimed in claim 1, which is a propylene homopolymer having an isotactic pentad fraction (mmmm) of from 70 to 80 mol%.

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Claim 14 (Previously Presented): A molding obtained by molding the propylene polymer of claim 1.

Claim 15 (Currently Amended): A method for producing the propylene polymer of claim 1, which comprises polymerizing propylene or propylene with ethylene and/or an α -olefin having from 4 to 20 carbon atoms, in the presence of an olefin polymerization catalyst that contains (A) a transition metal compound of the Group 4 of the Periodic Table represented by the following general formula (1), and (B) at least one compound selected from the group consisting of (B-1) aluminiumoxy compounds and (B-2) ionic compounds, the ionic compounds being capable of reacting with the transition metal compound to give cations:

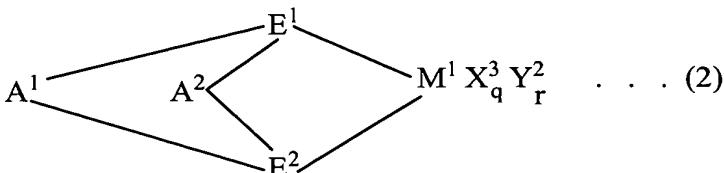


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wherein R^1 to R^{11} R^8 and R^{11} are each hydrogen, R^1 to R^7 , R^9 to R^{10} , and X^1 and X^2 each independently represent a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a hydrocarbon group having from 1 to 20 carbon atoms, a halogen-containing hydrocarbon group having from 1 to 20 carbon atoms, a silicon-containing group, an oxygen-containing group, a sulfur-containing group, a nitrogen-containing group, or a phosphorus-containing group; R^3 and R^4 , and R^8 and R^9 may be bonded to each other to form a ring; Y^1 is a divalent crosslinking bridging group that crosslinks bridges the two ligands, representing any of a hydrocarbon group having from 1 to 20 carbon atoms, a halogen-containing hydrocarbon group having from 1 to 20 carbon atoms, a silicon-containing group, a germanium-containing group, a tin-containing group, -O-, -CO-, -S-, -SO₂-, -NR¹²-, -PR¹²-, -P(O)R¹²-, -BR¹²- or -AlR¹²-; R^{12} represents a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a hydrocarbon group having from 1 to 20 carbon atoms, or a halogen-containing hydrocarbon group having from 1 to 20 carbon atoms; M^1 represents titanium, zirconium or hafnium.

Claim 16 (Currently Amended): A method for producing the propylene polymer of claim 1, which comprises polymerizing propylene or propylene with ethylene and/or an α -olefin having from 4 to 20 carbon atoms, in the presence of an olefin polymerization catalyst that contains (A) a transition metal compound of the Group 4 of the Periodic Table represented by the following general formula (2), and (B) at least one compound selected from the group consisting of (B-1) aluminiumoxy compounds and (B-2) ionic compounds, the ionic compounds being capable of reacting with the transition metal compound to give cations:



wherein M^1 represents titanium, zirconium or hafnium; E^1 and E^2 each are a ligand selected from a cyclopentadienyl group, a substituted cyclopentadienyl group, an indenyl group, a substituted indenyl group, a heterocyclopentadienyl group, a substituted heterocyclopentadienyl group, an amido group, a phosphido group, a hydrocarbon group and a silicon-containing group, and they form a crosslinked structure via A^1 and A^2 , and they may be the same or different; X^3 represents a σ -bonding ligand, and a plurality of X^3 's, if any, may be the same or different, and it may be crosslinked with other X^3 , E^1 , E^2 or Y^2 ; Y^2 represents a Lewis base, and a plurality of Y^2 's, if any, may be the same or different, and it may be crosslinked with other Y^2 , E^1 , E^2 or X^3 ; A^1 and A^2 each are a divalent crosslinking group that crosslinks the two ligands, representing any of a hydrocarbon group having from 1 to 20 carbon atoms, a halogen-containing hydrocarbon group having from 1 to 20 carbon atoms, a silicon-containing group, a germanium-containing group, a tin-containing group, $-O-$, $-CO-$, $-S-$, $-SO_2-$, $-NR^{12}-$, $-PR^{12}-$, $-P(O)R^{12}-$, $-BR^{12}-$ or $-AlR^{12}-$; R^{12} represents a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a hydrocarbon group having from 1 to 20 carbon atoms, or a halogen-containing hydrocarbon group having from 1 to 20 carbon atoms; and A^1 and A^2 may be the same or different; q is an integer of from 1 to 5, indicating $((\text{valence of } M^1) - 2)$; and r is an integer of from 0 to 3.

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Claim 17 (Previously Presented): The method for producing the propylene polymer as claimed in claim 15, wherein propylene or propylene with ethylene and/or an α -olefin having from 4 to 20 carbon atoms is polymerized in a vapor phase.

Claim 18 (Previously Presented): The method for producing the propylene polymer as claimed in claim 15, wherein propylene or propylene with ethylene and/or an α -olefin having from 4 to 20 carbon atoms is polymerized in the presence of liquid propylene.